

## Office of Telemedicine

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Marlene H. Dortch

Secretary,
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW

Washington, D. C., 20054

Dear Secretary Dortch:

I would like to file an ex-parte notice of a visit with Commissioner Robert McDowell and Chief of Staff John Hunter on June 5, 2007 to discuss the Commonwealth of Virginia's proposal submitted in response to the Federal Communications Commission Rural Health Care Pilot Program. Also discussed was the definition used by the FCC to define "rural" and the decision by the FCC to grandfather for three years health care sites that were previously rural.

Attending with the undersigned were: Eugene Sullivan, Director of the Office of Telemedicine of the University of Virginia and Ms. Karen Jackson, Director of Broadband Assistance, Office of the Secretary of Technology, Commonwealth of Virginia.

A copy of the proposal, Virginia Acute Stroke Telehealth (VAST) Project, was provided to the Chief of Staff John Hunter.

Sincerely,

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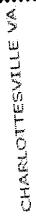
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